

DECLARE NAMUR FORTS STANDING

French Deny the German Claim that Belgian Forts Have Been Reduced.

Paris, France, Aug. 24.—The Havas news agency declares today that two motorcyclists attached to the Belgian army, who arrived in Paris this morning from Namur, declare that the forts at Namur are still holding out and that they are not even ready to surrender.

To the Matin's correspondent at Charleroi, France, a colonel in the Belgian army, wounded at Charleroi, Belgium, related today his experience in the battle.

"We marched with our African comrades against the Prussian guard," he said. "We advanced in bounds amidst bullets humming, using every bit of cover we could. We felt intoxicated with the joy of battle."

"I couldn't say how long the action lasted. All I remember is that we fired our last shot within 50 yards of the enemy. Then it was the pitiless thrust of cold steel. It would have given us the victory for, however, intrepid and steady are the troops, we fought against, there was no chance of our being able to resist the Turco bayonet charge."

"My regiment's efforts, alas, were broken by quick-firing machine guns hidden in the ruins of an old factory. We were obliged to fall back and we suffered heavily, but we have the consolation of saying that we made enormous gains in the Kaiser's crack regiment."

All the wounded at Charleroi agree that while the German rifle shooting was poor they used the quick-firing machine guns with great intelligence.

FRENCH WOULD HAVE SHIPPING RESTORED

Paris, France, Aug. 24.—The minister of marine has issued a note urging French ship owners to resume the active course of commercial navigation.

The French government offers a state guarantee against the risk of capture. Lestonnat, member of the higher council of the French merchant marine, estimates that the cost of German ships and a total capacity of nearly 2,000,000 tons, and value of \$1,000,000,000.

Of these 300 already have been captured, representing 1,000,000 tons, and value of \$300,000,000. This is not counting tramp steamers and 500 fishing boats.

In all, M. Lestonnat believes that over \$1,000,000,000 worth of German and Austrian shipping has been captured or put out of business, but he gives no figures to show upon what he bases this calculation.

GERMANS BATTER LINES OF DEFENCE

Rotterdam, Holland, Aug. 24.—It is known that military operations on a tremendous scale are in progress inside the French frontier, and it is understood that the Germans are throwing themselves against the entire line of the allies, with unprecedented fury.

American arriving here from the front on the Rhine say that large numbers of wounded are being brought into that district.

AUSTRIA MAKES WAR ON BELGIUM

London, Eng., Aug. 24, 4:15 p. m.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Rome says that a dispatch received there from Vienna states that Austria has declared war on Belgium. The American ambassador in Belgium has been asked to take charge of Austrian interests there.

Castles of England Are Turned Into Hospitals; Nobles Are Hard at Work

London, Eng., Aug. 24.—Titled nobles and peacemakers of England, many of whom have never done any work, are now plunged into the most arduous toil, and historic castles have been turned into hospitals, workrooms and public offices.

The duke of Devonshire has left Devonshire house, a famous old mansion in Piccadilly, for the headquarters of the British Red Cross society. The great hall is filled with tables, desks and literary counters and an aristocratic staff is working on the plans of organization.

The duke's reception room in the mansion is a workshop, in which queen mother Amelie of Portugal, princess Christian and many other titled and aristocratic women are engaged in fine work.

The dining room of Marlborough house, the town residence of the duke, queen Alexandra, has been converted into a workshop where prominent society women, under princess Victoria, cut out garments for soldiers and sailors.

Princess Marie Louise has equipped her club house for factory girls as a hospital.

The empress Eugenie has given \$1000 to the Red Cross funds and also fitted up a wing in her house at Farnborough for the reception of wounded officers.

LARGEST NUMBER OF WARSHIPS IN ACTION

London, Eng., Aug. 24.—The present mobilization of the great European navies leads the Chronicle to look up history and it prints the following interesting paragraph:

"The largest mobilization of warships in all history was certainly that accomplished by Xerxes before the battle of Salamis. According to the detailed figures given by Herodotus, he mustered 127 battleships—triremes, or ships of war with three banks of oars. Each of these carried a crew of 200 rowers and 50 fighting men. There were also 300 smaller vessels of war and transports, averaging 80 men each. A further 120 triremes afterward joined.

Herodotus may even have understated the figures, since Aeschylus gives 1207 triremes as the number present at the battle, and 447 had already been lost or destroyed."

CZAR ACKNOWLEDGES OFFER OF AMBASSADOR PROX V. S.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 24.—Emperor Nicholas of Russia today acknowledged president Wilson's offer of mediation. All the warring European nations have now replied, but none has indicated more than the acknowledgment.

GERMANS TAKE VALENCIENNES

Military Expert Says Allies Must Win Now or Retreat to Cherbourg.

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ing, where they were reported on Monday.

There was heavy fighting at Marchiennes Thursday morning when the Germans broke through the French line. The allies acquitted themselves well, however, and succeeded in pushing the German advance forces back on their main body. The German advance forces were also repulsed at Pont-A-Marche.

German Occupy Valenciennes.

There was also fighting at Tournai where the Germans were repulsed. It is believed here that the Germans have occupied Valenciennes but the British are reported to have driven back the enemy near Mons.

There is nothing to indicate that the allies line from Mons to Conde has been seriously turned.

French industrial centers such as Roubaix and Tournai are frequently visited by German cavalry and are occupied and evacuated every day.

Expect Enveloping Attack.

The Times military correspondent, in discussing the situation on the French frontier, says:

"The news that the allies have retreated to the line from Leuven to Cambrai shows that active defence of the line from Lille to Maubeuse has been abandoned and that the German fortresses have been left temporarily to look after themselves."

The line is difficult to defend. It should be most difficult to penetrate Laferme, Laon and Rheims, which are provided with permanent fortifications but we are not at that point yet.

"The line from Leuven to Cambrai must expect an enveloping attack in the north, but this attempt will probably fail."

Must Win or Retreat.

"We have every right to expect victory today, but if we don't win a decisive victory, we must abandon our base on the coast north of the mouth of the Scheldt and retire to the south, either to Havre or Cherbourg."

"If we are unable to resume the offensive and break the German attack from the north, one consequence will be that the Germans will establish aircraft stations along the straits of Dover and thereby be able to keep us under constant observation."

Prepare for Airship Shooting.

"We must meet this by a counter attack with searchlights and anti-aircraft guns. Sportsmen should make up practice airships to shoot at."

"The Germans will also mount their heaviest guns at any port they seize and three more there will be a serious handicap to the British fleet."

Jefferies Compliments British.

Gen. Joseph Jefferies, commander-in-chief of the British forces, in a telegram to field marshal Sir John French, commander of the British forces, says:

"The British army did not hesitate but threw its whole strength against forces which had done numerical superiority. In so doing it contributed in a most effective manner to securing the left wing of the French army."

"It exhibited in this task devotion, energy and perseverance which will now pay my tribute—qualities which will be shown again today and make certain the triumph of our common cause. The French army will never forget the services rendered by our army."

Our army is said, "took part in the fighting around Charleroi, where the German imperial guard suffered very severely. I was surprised at the lack of effectiveness of the German artillery. Their shells when they burst produced a series of terrific explosions but did comparatively little damage. The soldiers quickly perceiving that the chief characteristic of the shells was noise, soon got accustomed to them."

"On the other hand, the French artillery fire had a deadly effect and its accuracy was little short of marvelous. For instance, I saw a German battery appearing in the distance, but even before it could unlimber it was destroyed by the French fire."

Mown Down by Shrapnel.

"The ravages caused by the French artillery were enormous. Whole ranks of infantrymen were mown down by shrapnel. Some of those shot dead remained standing owing to the number of bodies that had accumulated around them."

Asked as to his opinion of the value of the German troops, the officer said:

German Bravery Wonderful.

"Their bravery is wonderful, especially that of the imperial guard which did not flinch before the most murderous fire. On the other hand, the morale of the French troops is splendid. They are not the least disheartened by the temporary check and are convinced that if they are well led they will achieve wonders."

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KAISER ORDERS AID GIVEN PRUSSIAN

Berlin, Germany, by way Rotterdam, Holland, Aug. 24.—Emperor William has directed the following telegram to his ministry:

"The trials to which my royal province of east Prussia is subjected by the invasion of Russian forces fill me with the greatest compassion, but I know the courage of my east Prussians too well not to know that they are ever ready to throw themselves on the altar of the fatherland and will readily give their blood and wealth for the sake of their country and manfully bear the hardships of war."

"Confidence in the irresistible might of our heroic army and unshakable belief in the help of a living God, together with the consciousness that we are fighting for a worthy cause, should give us faith in an early delivery of Germany from its enemies."

I wish that everything possible shall be done by the German people for those east Prussians who are obliged to leave their homes. With this in view I charge my ministry and the various state authorities to assist in the work of relief. Take thorough measures for this purpose and report to me what has been done."

(Signed) "William, Rex."

THREE CIRCLES OF FORTS GIRDLE PARIS

Paris, France, Aug. 24.—The defense of Paris is thus described by La Patrie:

"Paris, by its situation, is the stronghold of the national defense. This city is an entrenched camp protected by three series of works. First, there is an inner circle of defense. Then a circle of forts and beyond these a second ring of powerful forts designed to prevent the enemy's shells reaching the city. Some of the latter forts are 12 miles from the city."

GERMANS DESTROY CITY OF LOUVAIN

London, Eng., Aug. 24.—The Belgian foreign minister reports that the Belgian city of Louvain in the province of Brabant has been burned by the Germans.

CARRANZA PLANS NEW ISSUE OF CURRENCY

Mexico City, Mex., Aug. 24.—To relieve the stagnation of business due to the lack of small change, which had its worst in the uprising of Wednesday, the Carranza government plans to issue \$5,000,000 in bills in denominations of 10, 20 and 50 cents.

After the clash of arms, the city is now quiet. The entire police force will be disbanded and a new force organized. Members of the gendarmes, arrested in connection with the outbreak, are still in prison.

It is reported 250,000 are starving in the state of Morelos. American Red Cross representatives here have sent an appeal to Washington for aid.

PESQUEIRA TO DIRECT RAILWAYS OF MEXICO

Announcement is made of the appointment of Roberto P. Pesqueira to be general superintendent of the government owned railways of Mexico. He succeeds Eugenio Chazaro.

Pesqueira is now in Los Angeles, Calif., on a visit. He is expected to leave for Mexico City at once to enter upon his new duties.

For many months he was Carranza's confidential agent in Washington and El Paso.

W. L. RADNEY LANDS ROSWELL POSTOFFICE

Roswell, N. M., Aug. 24.—After a bitter fight between several aspirants, the Roswell postoffice contest has been settled by the appointment of W. L. Radney to succeed W. A. Rockafellow as postmaster, according to telegraphic advices from Washington, D. C., received here today. Radney was recommended for appointment by congressman H. B. Ferguson.

W. P. BAIN ARRESTED ON WHITE SLAVE CHARGE.

W. P. Bain was arrested Friday afternoon by deputy United States marshal Jere Dubois, charged with violation of the Mann act. It is alleged Bain brought a woman from Central, N. M., to Juarez, transporting through El Paso. He was held under \$2000 bond for a preliminary hearing August 31. He gave bond. Bain is proprietor of a rooming house on Overland street and also conducts a lodging house in Juarez.

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